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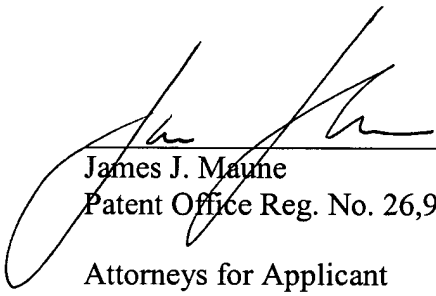
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24. The method as recited in claim 18, wherein the parent substrate is selected from one of sapphire (Al_2O_3), spinel (MgAl_2O_4) or silicon carbide (SiC).

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This amendment eliminates multiple dependency in the claims and puts the claims in better U.S. format. No new matter is introduced by this amendment.

Respectfully submitted,



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